

Amendments to the Specification

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[0003] A customer who wants to receive an a fuel supply service in a gasoline stand or like shop, goes to the shop by driving his or her car. For the fuel supply in the shop, the fuel supply equipment is operated by a shop staff or by the customer himself or herself as self-service. At this time, in order to avoid payment and change return of small amounts of money and thus increase the process speed for both the customer and the shop, a fixed amount fuel supply service is provided.

[0004] Specifically, the customer preliminarily specifies a fixed amount of money, for instance 2,000 Yen, and then receives an a fuel supply service corresponding to this amount. In this way, only payment of the constant amount (i.e., 2,000 yen in this case) is made between the customer and the shop, and no small amount of money is given or taken. Thus, it is possible to increase the process speed, which is a great merit for both the customer and the shop.

[0007] The present invention was made in view of the problems infrequent not addressed in the known prior art techniques and it has an object of providing a fixed amount sales system capable of fixed amount sales inclusive of amounts of option items.

[0009] In the POS terminal, a plurality of fixed amounts are displayed for selection by the customer. Option items which can be bought in the selected fixed amount are displayed on a display unit in the POS terminal. A plurality of option items can be selected within the selected fixed amount. The POS terminal issues an option item ticket for the option items selected by the customer together with a sales receipt. The option item ticket has a print of a bar code. The shop is a gasoline stand.

[0016] First, the shop staff confirms the customer's desire, that is, "fixed amount fuel supply section" as to whether the customer desires fixed amount fuel supply is made (step S1). When

the fixed amount fuel supply is selected, the shop staff specifies fixed amount fuel supply by operating the keyboard 21 in the PCS terminal 20 or touching "fixed amount fuel supply" displayed on a menu shown in (A) in FIG. 2 with a finger or the like.

[0017] Then, the amount is specified (step S2). With the selection of the fixed amount fuel supply in the above step S1, a menu as shown in (B) in FIG. 2 is displayed. Specifically, a plurality of "amounts of money", e.g., 1,000 yen, 2,000 yen and 3,000 yen, and also "option" and "settlement" buttons are displayed. ~~At this instant~~ As an example, the 2,000 yen button is selected. Preferably, the selected amount of money is made clear by enclosing the selected amount, (e.g. i.e., 2,000 yen), in a bold frame or displaying the sole selected amount (i.e., erasing the non-selected amounts). The "option" button is not reacted until ~~selective operation of an~~ "amount of money" button is ~~made~~ selected.

[0023] While the above embodiment has been described in connection with the gasoline stand fuel supply example, this is by no means ~~limitative~~ limiting, and the present invention is applicable as well to all items capable of being sold by weighing, such as kerosene for petroleum stove or the like, ~~soy~~ soy sauce and rice, and also related option items.